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Re: Application No.: 09/731,049  
Examiner: Terry D. Cunningham  
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May 20, 2004

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

Today I have received your Office Action Summary that was sent by you to me on November 1, 2003 and then was delivered by mistake of our local post service to other address in Russia. In your OAS was not indicated the date of sending that letter, so I do not know when a shortened statutory period for reply has to expire.

I ask you to provide me an extension of time for reply properly to your OAS, if it has already expired or indicate a final date for reply. This took place because of such an unintentional delaying.

Sincerely yours,



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